

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 6, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SAULSBURY made the following

REPORT.

[To accompany Bill S. 120.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of William Wallace, praying an increase of pension, beg leave to report:

That it appears the petitioner was allowed a pension under a special act of February 13, 1855, at the rate of \$6 per month from the 4th March, 1854, for three-fourths disability. He now furnishes satisfactory evidence showing that his disability is total, and prays that his pension may be increased accordingly. His pension having been granted by a "special" act, Congress only have the power to grant an increase. The proof of total disability in this case is satisfactory.

The committee therefore report a bill for his relief and recommend its passage.

The petitioner also prays for arrears of pension from the 25th July, 1814, when he claims to have been wounded, to the 4th March, 1854, when his pension commenced.

Under the general statutes invalid pensions commence only from the completion of the evidence. The committee report adversely to this portion of the prayer of the petitioner.

